

App. No. 09/924,320
Reply to Final Office Action

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows.

[0021] The balloon 20 comprises at least one non-tacky outer layer 22 and at least one inner layer 21. The outer 22 and inner layers 21 may comprise a co-extruded laminate. Furthermore, the outer layer may comprise a tie layer and/or a functionalized material. An example of a co-extruded trilayer laminate including a tie layer is disclosed in U.S. Pat. No. 6,165,166 issued to Samuelson et al. and is incorporated herein in its entirety by reference thereto. [[As]]

According to the embodiment shown in Figure[[s]] 1 ~~and 2~~, the outer layer 22 is disposed on a limited area of the inner layer 21. It can be appreciated that the outer layer 22 may cover varying proportions and configurations of the inner layer 21 to achieve desirable stent retention.